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Karin –

Attached are Region 9's proposed cover letter and detailed comments on the Bay-Delta WaterFix Supplemental DEIS. Jared has reviewed the cover letter twice, thus the attached incorporates and reflects his detailed edits and direction. Bureau of Reclamation verbally confirmed for us this morning that there will be no extension of the comment deadline; therefore, our comments are due to Reclamation by October 30th. In order to meet that deadline, it would be most helpful for us to receive any edits or comments from HQ by Wednesday, October 21st. Please let me know as soon as possible if you anticipate any difficulty with that schedule.

FYI: NEPA review and Water staff, our attorney, and I participated in an interagency call this morning with Reclamation (Michelle Banonis), NMFS, FWS, and the State. We did not discuss the proposed rating, but did review with the group the outstanding issues underlying our comments, using the comments that we submitted on the last Administrative draft as the framework for discussion. We stated very clearly that the issues raised in EPA's previous comments have not been resolved and that many of them will appear again in our upcoming comments on the SDEIS. We have, at all levels, been very consistent about that message in order to ensure that there are no surprises.

If you have any questions, give me a call.

Thanks –

-Kathy

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